

**SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING
PUBLICLY VENDED CONTENT VIA A WIRELESS NETWORK**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system and method for vending digitized content over an Internet network path, at least a portion of which is wireless, such as an SDMA high data rate directional wireless path. Content in the form of IP packets is provided to a user terminal via a connect server in response to user requests, which can be real-time requests or which can be requests embodied in a user-defined or system-defined user profile. The user is billed using one or more of several billing paradigms, including by the content piece, by the number of IP packets sent to the user, by the length of time the user accesses the system, by the subscription, and so on.

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